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1. (Amended) A single use processing substrate, comprising:
a cut resistant surface;
a liquid impervious barrier; and
a liquid absorbent portion disposed adjacent the surface.

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5. (Amended) The processing substrate of claim 4, wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of polyolefins, polyesters, polystyrene, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl chloride, nylon, polyacrylonitrile, acrylonirile-butadiene-styrene copolymer (ABS) and ethylvinylacetate.

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13. (Amended) The processing substrate of claim 12, wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of polyolefins, polyesters, polystyrene, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl chloride, nylon, polyacrylonitrile, acrylonirile-butadiene-styrene copolymer (ABS) and ethylvinylacetate.

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17. (Amended) The processing substrate of claim 16, wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of polyolefins, polyesters, polystyrene, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl chloride, nylon, polyacrylonitrile, acrylonirile-butadiene-styrene copolymer (ABS) and ethylvinylacetate.

24. (Amended) The processing substrate of claim 23, wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of polyolefins, polyesters, polystyrene, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl chloride, nylon, polyacrylonitrile, acrylonirile-butadiene-styrene copolymer (ABS) and ethylvinylacetate.

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25. (Amended) A disposable processing substrate, comprising:
a first material having a liquid-permeable, cut resistant surface;
a second material disposed adjacent the first material and having a liquid-absorbent portion; and
a third material disposed adjacent the second material and having a liquid-impermeable portion.

30. (Amended) The processing substrate of claim 29, wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of polyolefins, polyesters, polystyrene, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl chloride, nylon, polyacrylonitrile, acrylonirile-butadiene-styrene copolymer (ABS) and ethylvinylacetate.

38. (Amended) The processing substrate of claim 37, wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of polyolefins, polyesters, polystyrene, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl chloride, nylon, polyacrylonitrile, acrylonirile-butadiene-styrene copolymer (ABS) and ethylvinylacetate.

39. (Amended) A single-use processing substrate, comprising:
first means for providing a liquid-permeable, thermoplastic, cut resistant surface;
second means disposed adjacent the first means and providing means for providing a liquid-absorbent portion; and
third means disposed adjacent the second means and providing means for providing a liquid-impermeable portion.

42. (Amended) The processing substrate of claim 41, wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of polyolefins, polyesters, polystyrene, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl chloride, nylon, polyacrylonitrile, acrylonirile-butadiene-styrene copolymer (ABS) and ethylvinylacetate.

50. (Amended) The processing substrate of claim 49, wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of polyolefins, polyesters, polystyrene, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl chloride, nylon, polyacrylonitrile, acrylonirile-butadiene-styrene copolymer (ABS) and ethylvinylacetate.

80. (Amended) A processing substrate, comprising:
a first thermoplastic material having a liquid-permeable surface comprising a sheet of continuous film having holes formed therein;
a second material disposed adjacent the first material and having a liquid-absorbent portion; and

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a third material disposed adjacent the second material and having a liquid-impermeable surface.

83. (Amended) The processing substrate of claim 82, wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of polyolefins, polyesters, polystyrene, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl chloride, nylon, polyacrylonitrile, acrylonirile-butadiene-styrene copolymer (ABS) and ethylvinylacetate.

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91. (Amended) The processing substrate of claim 90, wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of polyolefins, polyesters, polystyrene, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl chloride, nylon, polyacrylonitrile, acrylonirile-butadiene-styrene copolymer (ABS) and ethylvinylacetate.